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Eastern Oregon Men Plan Meetings

By Ed. P. Dewees

Ninety and Niners of Northeastern Oregon met at Athena on November 30 for a dinner and business meeting in conjunction with the revival meeting being held by the Chamberlains. A good delegation of Walla Walla men visited the meeting to bring the total attendance to 65. Chorus singing, introductions of guests, a fine elk feed, and a vocal duet by Gene Chamberlain and Paul Moore, Sr. preceded the business session. Ed Beem, state vice-president of the Eastern Area presided and explained the need for smaller districts in the area to provide closer and more frequent meetings for fellowship between the men and their churches.

A suggestion was approved that a committee be appointed to nominate officers for the district including Morrow and Umatilla Counties. Don Gray of Pendleton was appointed chairman with Gerald Montee of Athena and Carl Moon of Milton as the other members of the committee. They were asked to set the time for the next meeting upon the invitation of Pendleton to provide the place. January 17 was selected and Elery Parriish is to be the guest speaker.

The evangelistic service followed with the men giving it a real boost by their presence and singing.

Officers Elected

Officers for the district including Wallowa, Union, and Baker counties were elected at a meeting in La Grande in November. Vernon DeLong was elected president and Charles Koczan secretary-treasurer. Both are from La Grande. Dell Stace of Baker was elected vice-president. The next district rally will be held at Wallowa on January 20 unless other word comes from the district officers. Elery Parrish will also address this meeting following a rally scheduled for January 18 at Ontario with men from Nyssa and Vale participating. The men of these three churches enjoy a fine fellowship with their neighbors on the Idaho side of the valley, but likewise have an interest in the boys' camps and evangelistic work of the Oregon Ninety and Nine.

Churches Visited

Following the Athena rally, it was the privilege of the field secretary to accompany vice-president Ed Beem on a visitation itinerary. Hermiston was first on the list with a visit to the mid-week service and a stay in the home of the pastor, Albert Kribs. Borther Kribs served as guide as well as host and pointed out developments in the Umatilla-McNary City area. Heppner was the next church on the list and a pot-luck dinner and monthly church business meeting provided an opportunity for a plug on the men's work. Pastor John Runyan had made a good start to the Athena meeting when a connecting rod burned out—better luck next time!

The hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neill provided shelter for the night and a 6:00 o'clock breakfast the next morning, December 3. Brother Beem proved to be a good chauffeur despite frost and snow on the roads and reached Elgin in time for a pot-luck lunch and afternoon session of a preaching rally there. Baker was the next stop and a good fellowship was enjoyed with the men there that evening. Joe Jewett, pastor-adviser of the Eastern Area, was the host and his shelter was appreciated since the mercury dipped to 7 below zero for the coldest night of the year to that date. Greetings were exchanged with Ray Smith, field man for the Northwestern Christian Home, who reached Baker as we departed.

Ontario-Vale

Upon arrival in Ontario in the evening and partaking of a good dinner in the home of the Helseths, it was learned that Brother Hugh Foster, minister at Vale, was in Ontario hospital for treatment. Thus Sunday was spent there with the writer speaking in the morning service and Ed Beem in the evening. A pot-luck dinner followed the morning service and time was given for presentation of the Ninety and Nine work. On Monday evening the monthly dinner and business meeting of the Ontario church was visited and plans made for the January 18 rally there. Brother Beem started home to Summerville in a small blizzard the next morning and your reporter headed for Burns via bus some three hours later.

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The Hebrew Mission

Mr. and Mrs. Tan-Ditter closed their mission hall at S.W. Corruthers Street and First Avenue on December 31. They plan to continue work among the Jews through personal visitation. Their main ministry, however, will be in the evangelistic field. Churches interested in securing them for a meeting may reach them by mail at Box 28, Federal Station, Portland 7. This mission has left its impress upon the church life of Oregon.

Youth Week

Youth Week, January 30 to February 6, 1949, offers unlimited opportunity for Christian youth through united action to make a real impact upon community life. It gives young people of all denominations and related agencies an opportunity to unite in offering one hard and one common purpose in His Name. The 1949 theme is "Let God Speak."

"Let God Speak Through Me" is the theme for the local church day, January 30. Attention should be centered on the way in which God seeks to speak through youth. Through the week activities may be sponsored and on the closing Sunday, February 6, it is suggested that there be a great united youth meeting on Sunday afternoon to face the question of "Why are the Churches so Divided?" Materials for the week may be had from The International Council of Religious Education, 203 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago 1, Illinois.

Happy New Year!

It is a bit belated by the time this greeting will be seen, but the editor of the OREGON CHRISTIAN and the Publishing Committee as listed in the masthead wishes to say Happy New Year to all readers of the paper. With your help we will give you a better paper in '49 than ever before.

Week of Compassion

The Week of Compassion will be observed this year February 20-27. The need for relief this year is as great as ever. The material approach to the spiritual need is what the Week of Compassion means. Now is the time to begin preparations for this offering. The goal set for our brotherhood this year is $500,000. This will be credited to the Crusade goal. Last year our churches in Oregon gave generously, but they did not quite reach the $20,000 suggested as a goal. May we not again set that amount in our sights and reach it this year? To get credit on the Crusade goal you should send it to the Crusade treasury, Indianapolis. But it will be turned over without deduction for expense to the Church World Service Committee.

Youth Committee Meets

The State Youth Committee met at the home of Mrs. Rosemary Naff, Chairman of the committee, in Salem on Monday night, December 27. Those present were: Mrs. Naff, Chairman; Mrs. Elsie Davis, Portland; Miss Earline Rogers, Medford; Miss Vida Lee Willard, Eugene; Miss Donna Lee Plymale, Lebanon; Ralph Lambert, Portland; C. H. Addleman, Portland, State Director; and C. F. Swander, Portland. After dinner a la Naff the committee took up its work. Definite decisions for two very important events in the future were made. A youth planning conference will be held in the spring, probably over the week-end April 29 to May 1. Youth Fellowship Meets will be held at a convenient time in the fall. All young people may look forward to these two events. More detailed announcements will be made later.

Athena

Gene and Verna Chamberlain held a fine meeting with 4 baptisms and 2 by statement. C. Paul Moore is pastor.

The Educational Task Of The Church

Jesus placed teaching in the Great Commission as part of the task of making disciples. The Apostle Paul names certain offices in the church and goes on to say they are for "the edifying of the body of Christ," and later states the purpose and that is, "Till we all attain to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." This becomes our main objective in christian education. We ask you, how are you getting along in this process of education in your church life? What is your aim, are you teaching the Bible, or are you teaching a child, a youth or an adult? Are you teaching a lesson, or teaching a life? What are you trying to accomplish through your teaching? Jesus the Master Teacher did more than teach the precepts of the Old Testament. He related them to life and made them live. We must do more than teach and preach the doctrines of the Bible, we must make them live. Too often we do not relate the lessons we teach on Sunday to the problems of life we must meet during the week. As a result of this we find boys and girls, youth and adults going out to face life with little meaning and preparation. They do not seem to know how to apply the things they have been taught. It is one thing to learn the books and divisions of the Bible and it is another thing to know how to apply the truths of the Bible to life's situations. Jesus learned the Word, but He also learned how to apply it when tempted. Is the method and program of christian education you are using producing this? Remember we are not married to any one method, or any one publishing house, but we are under divine orders to lead people both old and young into growing personalities in Christ. As director we stand ready and willing to help you think through the total educational program of your church. Feel free to call on us for a conference at anytime, and remember we have a good loan library in the office from which you can borrow books. Let us strive to make our teaching more effective for the day in which we live.—Chas. H. Addleman.

Piano Wanted

The church at Milwaukie is in need of a piano and they would be willing to accept such an instrument as a loan or for storage. (They would probably not refuse one as a gift. Ed.) Anybody having such an instrument may call Mrs. Tom Alcorn, Mil. 2-7541, or address Rt. 8, Box 170, Milwaukie, Oregon. This appeal is a worthy one and we hope some one will be able to respond to it.

Powell Butte

One baptism and 2 others added in December. The church lost one of its faithful elders in the passing of C. Avery Sherman on December 13. He leaves a wife, two sons and twin daughters. The fifth Sunday rally will be held at Powell Butte on January 31. D. L. Penhollow, pastor.

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Notice: Items for the Oregon Christian should reach the editor's desk not later than the 1st day of the month to insure publication.

Notes From The Diary Of The Secretary-Director

As your secretary scans his diary he finds that it reveals the following story: He was out of the state the first eleven days of December attending the annual meeting of the State Secretaries in St. Louis, Missouri. This was followed by the Home and State Missions Planning Conference. This was a very interesting and helpful meeting. There were 31 state secretaries present, several pastors and other national organizations personnel. On returning to the state he preached at Vale; led the devotional and taught one class session at the Leadership Training School in Ontario; assisted in the installation service for the new pastor, Don Maxfield, at Nyssa and brought the message; met with the church board at Burns concerning their building program; had a conference with a group of interested persons concerning the Liberty Church in Salem; brought the devotional message at the Mallory Avenue Church Wednesday night fellowship; preached at Woodburn and visited the home church at Kern Park. He attended the retreat of the church executives which was sponsored by the Oregon Council of Churches at Camp Magruder and brought a devotional message. He met with the Oregon Temperance Committee on three occasions. There were three other special conferences. Met with the State Youth Committee, the Pioneer Camp Committee, wrote 32 personal letters, conducted one funeral service, attended the Christian Minister's monthly breakfast meeting, had part in the reception program for the Whipples at Kern Park and conducted the Watchnight devotional service.

The Oregon Christian

At the request of Brother Addleman I am continuing to edit the state paper for a time yet. I am desirous of being as helpful to my successors in office as I can. Therefore I am accepting this assignment. If you are reporting a bit of news only it would facilitate the handling of it if you would send it to me at 5921 S. E. Hawthorne, Portland 15. However, if you are writing about other matters also it should be sent to the office address.—C. F. Swander.

Mallory Avenue

The church announces that it has secured the services of M. Owen Kellison, Los Angeles, for a week of visitation evangelism April 3-10, and a week of preaching evangelism April 10-17. Brother Kellison is well and favorably known among us.

Offerings

December

CHURCHES: Burns, $15.72; Coquille, $14.92; Dallas, $32.93; Dayton, $50; Falls City, $3; Heppner, $17.57; Hood River, $35.20; Kern Park, $10.41; Klamath Falls, $10; Lebanon, $25; Milton, $87.62; Multnomah, $25; Newberg, $67.32; Pendleton, $84.35; Roseburg, $217.40; Tillamook, $90.78; Vernonia, $40.63. Total, $827.85.

SCHOOLS: Dallas, $47.86; Lebanon, $20.50; Milton, $13.57; Parkrose, $22.50; Yamhill, $15.35. Total, $117.78.

INDIVIDUALS: Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Baxter, $10; Miss Hazel Bower, $20; B. Ross Evans, $5; Mrs. F. W. Fortna, $5; T. G. Richardson, $3; C. F. Swander, $30. Total, $73.00.

WOMENS GROUPS: Grants Pass, $35.42; Klamath Falls, $62.50. Total, $97.92.

YOUTH GROUPS: Kern Park, $2.50.

Note

Please note that we close December about $774 short of the close of December one year ago. Doubtless this will pick up, but it would keep a worry off your secretary's mind if the offerings kept par with previous years. If you have money for state missions in your treasury why not send it now. We would need more than $2,200 in January to bring it out even with last year.

Meet The New Office Secretary

On January 3 Miss Dolores Lee assumed her duties as office secretary. She is a member of the Mallory Avenue Christian Church and was baptized at Kern Park when a junior by Mr. Addleman. She is a graduate of Grant High School in Portland, a graduate of the Turner Young Peoples Conference and attended Northwest Christian College in Eugene three years. She has been attending Northwestern Business College in Portland the last four months. We welcome her to the state office. As you know, Mr. Swander has been in charge of the office since Mr. Addleman took over the duties as state secretary. We have asked Mr. Swander to continue as editor of the OREGON CHRISTIAN for a time. We feel that both Dolores and myself are so new in the work we will need advice and help of him who has rendered such a valuable and efficient service in Oregon for so many years

—C.H.A.

Supply Ministry

The retiring state secretary spent December Sundays with two churches in supply ministry. He taught the Friendship Class (Adult) three times and supplied the pulpit at Sellwood twice. He has arranged to supply the pulpit at Milwaukie beginning January 31 until they shall secure a permanent pastor. At the present writing he has every Sunday in January dated except the 16th. If some church needs a supply for that date he will be glad to respond. Address him, C. F. Swander, 5921 S. E. Hawthorne, Portland 15, or phone EM 0013.

Five Plus One Makes Six

On December 27, at 1:30 P. M., a 9 pound 6 ounce son was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Penhollow at Redmond. This makes six boys in a row and they are a fine sextet. Congratulations!

Portland Central

There were 15 added by statement and 1 by baptism during December. James Earl Ladd, pastor.

Our Missionaries In China

By Mrs. Edna L. Burke

A recent letter from James McCallum, one of our missionaries in Nanking, China gives the latest news of the whereabouts of our missionaries in China. "The Joseph Smith family, the Reynolds family, and Adsits, were on their way to Shanghai. The people in Hofei seem to be unaware as to what this is all about and we have been sending word to them by every means possible. They were well stocked with food and fuel and supplies to last the winter, if it is necessary. They may be cut off from us any day now although we may be in the same unit of the country administratively again if Nanking falls or a new kind of government is formed. Oswald Goulter is still bedfast from his operation and will not be able to be moved for another week. Irene is sticking with Mr. Goulter. He does not want to leave but wants to get to Chuhsien as soon as possible. Oswald had one serious relapse but is doing nicely now. In any event, he wants to stick in China, any part of China he can. The Corprons want to stick with the girls, Doris and Jean, or stay together as a family unit. They cannot easily leave Mr. Goulter now and their leaving now would mean the break up of the hospital there. Grace Young, Wenona Wilkinson and Verla Elliott want to stay. George Cherryhomes wants his wife, Marge, to go to the Phillipines but he wants to stay in Chuhsien where he has a little group of young men organized for cooperative work. They hope to scatter into the country and carry on Christian work. The Bates at Nanking have decided to try to carry on as long as possible and not try to move. They will not have the means to carry on long if cut off from outside support. Mr. Bates thinks it would be criminal for some of us not to stay and see what we can do in such a situation as faces us. The Smythes are all for staying. Edna Gish is on her way home, Her furlough is very near and she did not want to get caught here. Mrs. Haskell is uncertain what to do but Walter insists that she go because of health conditions. So far as we (the McCallums) are concerned, we are not leaving. We are too young to think of retiring and too old to start over again somewhere else. If there is anything to do here, we want to try it.

Four Dangers

"We have four dangers or problems. (1) Food and supplies. There is not enough this winter to sustain the population of China. Dividing the land and cutting off the heads of landlords will not increase the supply right now, so a new government may have as hard a time as the old to give the people what they need. (2) Money. If we can get a supply of Nationalist money which is not easy, it may be worthless. We may be cut off so that we cannot draw on any resources from you for some period. (3) Disorder. Danger from mobs, riots, retreating and defeated soldiers or a victorious army. (4) Problems of a hostile government which we are not trying to solve now. We are trying to formulate what we hope to do and are trying to form a united Christian front in Nanking. However, I am afraid we have not done enough on that to say we really have any front. If we can have months or weeks rather than days, we will make progress.

"None of our Chinese have left. It is natural for people to return to the place they call home in a time like this and some families have been sent home. I am sure that Victor Siao who was last year at TCU, will be one of our main stays. Luther Shao has been in the hospital with an infection but will be out soon.

"The present government could still win in this struggle if they would make the reforms necessary and if they had the will to struggle. But it looks like it would take more help than now seems in prospect. We hope for a breathing spell to prepare better to meet whatever is in store for us."

This is the latest report concerning our missionaries in China. They need our prayers. We do not know what the outcome is going to be. Neither do we know whether Christian Missions are going to be allowed to continue for long in this war torn land. If the Communists are victors in China, and that seems altogether possible at this time, we know not what may be their next field of conquest, maybe the Phillipines, or India. This means we are going to have to double and redouble our efforts if this dangerous trend is to be halted.

Communism

"Communism has not taken hold as readily in the Phillipines as in some other areas, due to the influence of democracy. However, there is strong organization existing in these islands which might easily become fertile soil for the promotion of Communism or something else just as undesirable and dangerous to the spread of Christianity. This organization was formed for the purpose of fighting the Japanese during the last war. In the islands adjoining the Phillipines there are 150,000 natives who have been touched by Christianity through the efforts of Filipinos. These natives are ready and eager for the Gospel message. Who will take it to them?" So spoke Miss May Coggins, Baptist missionary who was one of the speakers for the Foreign Mission Advance Conference held in Portland on Nov. 9. She further stated that "the Phillipines, now independent are ten percent Protestant Christian. But from now on without the protection formerly given by the United States, anything can happen. The government could prohibit the continuation of Protestant missionary work in the islands if there were a strong enough majority of Catholics in the legislature. The doors may not be open long. Undergird the work now.

Encouragement

Encouraging reports as to the progress of the Crusade, are beginning to come in. Just 1,326 of our churches last year reported 69,395 additions in the first year of the Crusade; Bible school enrollment was increased by 79,544; 7,811 were reported as leaders in training; 2,579 life work recruits were enrolled; 40,138 tithers and 42,147 proportionate givers were enlisted; $10,000,475 was given or accepted toward the goal of $14,000,000. The first year of the Crusade shows what can be done when we join hands and cooperate. The second year, this present year, may be the hardest of the three. What about you and your church? Are you to have a part in it?

On September 9, the GENERAL MEIGS reached San Francisco bringing with her the following students from our churches in China, India and Japan to take additional studies in the United States: Miss Ayako Obana

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Direct Support Mission News

By J. Frank Cunningham

In the December issue of the Jamaica Christian Bulletin, Luke D. Elliott reports the following accomplishments during the 10 years he has been leading the work of this mission: Over 6,210 people have been won to Christ. Five outstanding denominational ministers were won to New Testament Christianity as well as many denominational churches. Eighteen church buildings have been partially completed or have had extensive repairs. Three mission homes have been erected, one combined college dormitory and class room building, a large workshop, three water storage tanks with a total capacity of at least 35,000 gallons, and other small buildings. One mission home has been purchased at Richmond Park and one church building at Wanstead.

Lonnie E. Dever writes: "It hardly seems possible that three months have passed since we first landed in Jamaica. I have never spent a more interesting and eventful time in my life. I could not begin to relate all the things we have witnessed and the joys we have experienced in being able to help with this work. THIS IS A GREAT FIELD AND A WELL ESTABLISHED WORK. One still wonders how Brother Elliott has ever kept up with this much work. What we have done since we came is 'old stuff' to him. There are very few trails in Jamaica that he has not travelled in sunshine, rain, daylight and darkness."

Japan—China

A news item in "The Crusader" tells us that Mrs. Emily B. Cunningham reports 84 baptisms from her Bible classes during the past year, and that "She reports the present opportunity without parallel in the history of Japan."

The Yunnan Chinese Mission reports 35 baptisms in one section of Kunming, Yunnan, West China. The workers in the mission are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Randolph and Melvert Byers. Miss Helen Doyle is a new recruit. The mission address is Box 43, Kunming, Yunnan, West China.

According to "The Crusader," Dorothy Sterling, Missionary Nurse, associated with the Morses in the great work on the China-Burma-Tibetan border, reports that, in spite of the death of one of the native preachers and persecution by a non-Christian official, there have been 140 baptisms in two areas in five months .

Okinawa

Anyone interested in the work of the Woodruffs on the island of Okinawa should write to Mrs. Eldon Fendall, Willamina, Oregon (Financial Secretary), and be put on the list for the "Okinawa Christian Mission" bulletin. Harlan is on the job. Though busily engaged in the erection of a home in preparation for the coming of Emmeline to join him, he has been busy carrying out the Great Commission to "make disciples, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." His ministry has included services in a colony of 670 lepers, and for 50 nurses in a hospital. Harlan writes: "Looking upon the field at first hand I can see that the Okinawa Christian Mission has undertaken a tremendously big task. I personally need first of all companionship and encouragement of Emmeline. Please pray that she may join me at the earliest possible date. In the not too distant future we will need the assistance of two or three more missionary couples in order to make a greater contribution to these people at this most opportune moment. One of the first projects that must be launched as Bible classes can be organized is the promotion of a small Bible College to train capable leaders to become more efficient Bible teachers in their villages. The extent of the work that we can do depends largely upon the spiritual and financial support the Christians of America are willing to give."

India

O. D. Johnson writes from Jhansi, U. P., India: "The present class sessions will end early in January and after that we hope to go out camping for some weeks in the rural areas beyond the city. Beside their regular full courses the boys have taken music lessons the past two months on the harmonium and tubla, favorite instruments for use in rural evangelism." He writes that the British Methodist Mission Property, from which he is renting his residence, will probably be for sale, and that he has been promised the first opportunity to buy. He writes: "It is a fine property located in a good area, and if we were ever to sell it, it would be highly salable and probably much sought after. We are not raising a property fund as yet, but we shall try to build up as large a balance in our general funds as possible against the eventual possibility, or necessity, of purchasing property." Brother Johnson requests that all offerings for his work be sent to Prof. W. F. Lown, Box 734, Manhattan, Kansas.

Mrs. Emma Schaefer, who with her husband, Harry Schaefer, Sr., began a fruitful work for Christ in India's Central Provinces in 1913, sailed from Bombay last November 17. Because of a weakened heart condition she has been forced to lay down the task she has carried for 35 ears. Her husband died two or three years ago. Mrs. Schaefer will reside at 1500 South Monterey, Alhambra, California.

Batang

Gladys Schwake, missionary nurse at Batang, is home in Buffalo, New York, after a long, tiresome journey. She brought with her a native boy, "Donnie." Donnie is 5 years old, but wears the clothing of a two-year-old and weighs about 20 pounds. He is in need of a special operation of his heart. Gladys took him to care for because the native families were all afraid to undertake the task, due to his physical defects. In a long news letter she writes: "My heart was much encouraged just before I left China upon the receipt of a radio message from Edgar Nichols stating that on Sunday there were 13 who gave their hearts to the Lord and 6 the following Sunday. These are the first real results in a number of years. We have been slow in encouraging baptisms due to the hypocrisy so prevalent among the natives."

Glen Johnston reports that Bible School attendance at Homer, Alaska, has doubled from June 1 to the last of October. •

Woodburn

The church has installed a new furnace. The work is prospering under the leadership of Don Priest who lives at Canby.

Northwest Christian College

The President's Column

An article in a recent issue of the Readers Digest points to the financial problem which confronts independent and church supported colleges. Increased taxes on income make it almost impossible for anyone to give a large sum of money to a college, church or other such institution. The one with an income of a million dollars would have less than one-tenth that sum left after federal and state taxes. The articles suggests a method of solving this problem but I doubt it will be adopted.

N.C.C. is fortunate in the face of this problem because of the financial policy adopted by the College when it was organized in 1934. The school is to be financed by a large number of small gifts. Of course large gifts would be welcomed heartily at any time. But we are conscious that a gift also carries with it a personal interest. N.C.C. is interested in persons and seeks the interest of persons.

So remember that we appreciate your gift, whatever its size may be, and your deepest interest. This is your college devoted to training Christians to proclaim the eternal New Testament message. Taxes or no taxes, you can share in this enterprise to send out ambassadors of Christ constrained by love.

Ross J. Griffeth

Parliament

The big activity of January, aside from the normal big business of carrying on classes, on the N.C.C. campus is the Oregon Preachers Parliament and Annual N.C.C. New Testament Lectureship on January 25, 26 and 27. All preachers of the Northwest are receiving advance copies of the program. Dr. Dean E. Walker of Butler University, School of Religion, is guest speaker.

A half dozen Oregon preachers are to bring sermons on the book of Hebrews. These sermons alone insure the greatness of the Parliament.

Not Quite

By reason of a typographical error, Kern Park was credited with 33 students in N.C.C. according to our December report. The number should have been 13 but we would gladly welcome an additional 20 from Kern Park.

Tuition

Ordinary tuition for classes at N.C.C. currently is $35.00 per term or $105 per year. Many students also take work at the University of Oregon and pay additional fees there to do so but the average of such fees will be about $50 per year. Thus the combined costs at N.C.C. and the University of Oregon will amount to about $155 per year.

Compare with this the announced fees of other colleges, for example: Willamette University, $320 per year; Reed College, $450 per year; or out of state institutions such as Pepperdine, $389 per year; Hiram College, $350 per year; etc.

N.C.C. has low costs, not because of 'cheap' teaching but because of the availability of expensive departments at the University of Oregon and the willingness of splendidly trained teachers to live on salaries below the instructor level of salaries in state supported institutions.

Language

Missionary recruits who plan to serve in China or Japan can study Chinese and Japanese at the University of Oregon while taking Bible and closely related courses at N.C.C.

Spring Evangelism

Due to the fact that Spring vacation at N.C.C., conforming to the calendar of the University of Oregon, will be March 19-27 while Easter will be three weeks later on April 17, 1949. It is impossible for us to arrange the Easter Evangelistic period as formerly. But we can make some adjustments.

First: students and faculty alike will be available for meetings during the period March 19-27 and a meeting at this time would do much to prepare for Easter.

Second: N.C.C. will make it possible for students to be absent on Friday, April 15 for church services so that they may share in a brief series of activities in churches within reasonable distance of Eugene during three or four days of the Easter week-end.

So long as Easter keeps moving around, we must face such calendar problems as this.

Who Is Responsible For State Missions?

Who is responsible for the local church? Is it the minister, the board or the people? Who is responsible for State Missions, is it the State Secretary, the State Board or the churches? We feel no church can be more effective than the people who make up the congregation, for the preacher and the board will not go any farther than the congregation, will permit them. The congregation has the power to tie their hands, or free them as they may choose. The same rule applies to state missions that applies to the church. Just as truly as the people make up the local congregation, the people and local congregations make up state missions. When you talk for, or against state missions you are talking about yourself and the church of which you are a part. State missions is the body of Christ on a little larger scale than the local congregation. The State Secretary and the State Board can make many plans and suggestions, but remember these plans can never be realized in Oregon until the people in the local congregations feel it is their responsibility and privilege to see they are carried out. Some have expressed themselves feeling we should step up the state program in establishing more new churches, by carrying out a larger educational program, and in fact enlarge the total program. Without a doubt the needs and opportunities are here in this growing state. May we ask you, have you stepped up your giving to the state missions the first half of the year? Have you stepped up your general interest in this work? The State Board will be willing to authorize new work any place in the state as rapidly as you will let them. Some plans are under way now to step up the program, but the final vote rests with the churches. If we are willing to cooperate and stand together as the body of Christ great things can be accomplished for Christ in Oregon. On the other hand if we are anti-social and refuse to work as a united body the work will be retarded. The State Secretary is like the pastor — he is limited until all feel that State Missions is the responsibility of every congregation. If you feel it is your responsibility, then express it with the total stewardship of your life.—C. H. Addleman.

Northwestern Christian Home

Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Sup't

The Christmas spirit of good cheer and the giving and receiving of gifts has been prominent around the HOME these past few days, and it seems that everyone has been well remembered. A beautiful Christmas tree became the center of attraction in the main parlor and several church groups entertained the family with music. Hundreds of greeting cards and dozens of gifts were received by members of our HOME FAMILY, and their appreciation was plainly manifested in pleased expressions and uttered statements. Among the special gifts to the HOME were 10 table lamps supplied by the Bible School of the Kern Park Church, in addition to other of special importance.

A moveable pulpit for use of those conducting the church services each Lord's day morning has been furnished by the Willamina church. Among those who have supplied services of this nature in the last month were groups from the Sellwood, Portland Central and North Plains churches, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith.

New Members

New members arriving in December are Mrs. Laura Talmage, Amity; and Mrs. Lela Whitney, St. Johns, Portland. The application of Wm. Steffansen, of Bozeman, Montana, has been approved and he will arrive early in the year to share the room with Brother Rhodes. Mrs. Lizzie Doane who was here for a short time has withdrawn and has made her own arrangements for living quarters. Word has been received of the passing of Grace L. Snow, Seattle, following an extended illness, with services conducted by Alton Brostrom in that City, December 7, and final committal in her home town of Billings, Montana. Miss Snow was employed at the HOME for about 5 years and made many friends wherever she lived.

Thanks!

Mrs. Hill wants to thank all who have sent in their "white gifts" of commodities and cash and especially for the sheets and pillow cases that were included. More linen can be used, however, as the original supply of these are showing wear and tear after nine years of service. Vegetables, such as squash, potatoes, and white or brown dry beans from areas where these items might be a surplus, are especially needed for the winter. Fruit jars that have accumulated through the years are available without charge or obligation to anyone wanting them, and will pay transportation.

The elevator has been out of service for several days, but is undergoing major repairs at this writing and should be in first class condition by the first of the year. New offices of the Board of Supervisors elected at the December meeting are A. H. Averill, president; Martin Kullowatz, vice-president; Mrs. L. F. McCroskey, Secretary; George Martin, Treasurer.

"Front Line"

The Roseburg church was the first to enter the ranks of "Front Line" churches this year, sending a Christmas offering of $397.86. The Oregon City church has also sent in over $300 so far. During the year 1947-48, 11 churches were "front line" in giving to Benevolence and N.W.C.H. and 20 exceeded $1.00 per member in Benevolent giving. The church at Athena and the Court St. Church, Salem, were in both groups. Congratulations! Certificates recognizing these accomplishments have been prepared and will be delivered soon. Calendar blotters are still available, although there have been many requests for them.—Ray C. Smith, Field Representative.

Missionaries In China

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from Japan to enter Texas Christian University; Miss Shizu Kawaii from Japan to enter Cornell University; Mr. Nathaniel Peters from India to enter Bethany College; Mr. Murad Scott from India to enter Texas Christian University; Miss Swen Bao-Hwa from China to enter Peabody College; Dr. T. Y. Chen, from China, to attend a post-graduate medical school in New York City. These students are on scholarships form the foreign division of The United Christian Missionary Society, as a part of its educational program.

As the years go by the leadership of the Christian churches in lands across the seas is being given into the hands of the trained leaders of those lands. However they will need the supervision of Christian missionaries for many years to come. Our work is not yet finished.

Reception For Whipple

New Year's eve saw a church full at Kern Park for the double purpose of a reception to their new pastor, George Whipple and family, and to see the new year in. A splendid program, composed of music, talks, and original poems and skits, filled the time until after 10 o'clock. Then they adjourned to the basement for refreshments, which were appetizing. Some guests departed after refreshments but a large number remained for the farewell to 1948 and welcome to 1949. Brother Addleman, former pastor, gave the farewell-welcome message.

Central Point

Ten baptisms during the James Matthew Alley meeting and 3 since that time. Four have come by transfer, two of whom had been Mormons. A lady who had been a Roman Catholic was baptized just before the meeting. Our membership now totals 213. I will lead a meeting at Trent beginning January 19. Robert Hendershott will be song Evangelist. L. H. Camp, pastor.

Preachers Meeting

The Christian ministers of Portland held their monthly breakfast meeting at the Y.M.C.A. on Wednesday, January 5. Grant Logan, Assistant District Attorney, brought the message on juvenile delinquency. It was refreshing to hear a prosecuting attorney express sympathy for delinquent youth. There is hope!

Salem First

One confession on December 19 and one added by statement on the 12th. Dudley Strain, pastor.

Gladstone

Reports 2 baptisms in December. Wilbur R. Hensley, pastor.

Dallas

Two baptisms and 1 by statement in December. Kenneth Johnston, pastor.

DALLAS has had 32 additions since July 1— 17 baptisms. Kenneth Johnston, pastor.

East Oregon Men

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McKenzie Men Meet

The regular McKenzie district rally was held at Coburg on December 20 with some 45 men in attendance. A pot-luck dinner was served following which Ray-Renzema led in the singing of Christmas carols with David Moon at the piano. Interspersed with the carols were vocal soloes by Joe Stewart and Jack Hann and a medley of Christmas tunes on the harmonica by Robin Stoneberg.

David Harkness, district president, then opened the business meeting. A continuation of the $1000 goal for the state budget was approved. Due to serious illness in the family of Kenneth Loretz, newly elected treasurer, the president suggested he be released from duty and that another man be chosen. Ed Crook of Coburg church was unanimously elected. Brother Crook was formerly state president of the Montana Ninety and Nine Men and Oregon Ninety and Niners extend him a hearty welcome as he enters into this new task. The invitation of the Fairmount church in Eugene was accepted for the February 21 rally.

At the close of the business, short talks were given by E. W. Blehm, area vice-president, and Ike Bartel, state president. A devotional prayer was offered by Willie White preceding a very interesting description of a Christmas in Palestine by President Ross J. Griffeth of N.C.C. With the help of one of the local ladies he presented a style show of familiar garments worn by men and women in Palestine.

Ladies Guests

The Dalles Ninety and Nine Men entertained the ladies of the Sisterhood with a banquet and program on December 7. Representatives from Dufur were also present for the enjoyable evening. Another meeting of the Dalles men was set for January 4, to get the new year started right. Elmer Swett, formerly president of the Coast district, is the president of the brotherhood.

Yamhill ladies were guests for the Ninety and Nine men there at their regular monthly meeting on December 11. Martin Kullowatz and the writer gave talks regarding the state work and Clifford Trout entertained with readings. Refreshments were served after the program.

Jefferson Host Church

The North Willamette district held its second rally at Jefferson December 27. Ed Cooley of Salem Court Street offered thanks for the food and the Jefferson ladies provided a real banquet. Don Leavitt led the song service to open the program and Chester Lee led a devotional and testimony service with Walter Naff leading in prayer. A vocal duet was sung by ladies of the host church.

President Abe Friesen conducted the business meeting in which the roll call showed 71 present. Reports were made on the state and district work and the invitation of the Dallas church was accepted for the February 28 meeting. Brother Arthur Bates of Silverton delivered a fine message on "A Man and His Church." Delegations from Albany, Lebanon and Harrisburg visited from the South Willamette district.

Parkrose

The second meeting of the Parkrose Ninety and Nine was held on December 14. Delegations from Kern Park, Multnomah, and St. Johns shared in the informal program with John Arnett presiding. A report was made by the nominating committee and unanimously accepted. John Arnett is president, H. H. Boyer, vice-president, Harold Smith secretary-treasurer. Lloyd Arnett sang a solo and talks were given by Martin Kullowatz, Floyd Shaw, and your reporter.

Tan-Ditters

While the Hebrew Christian Mission has been closed, the Tan-Ditters hope to maintain a contact with the Jewish people while they serve in the general evangelistic field. They may be contacted for meeting dates by addressing them at Box 28, Federal Station, Portland 7, Oregon.

Carlton—McMinnville

We spent the first Sunday in the new year afield with the new state secretary. The morning hour was given to Carlton—their annual meeting day. Brother Addleman performed like a veteran—taught a Sunday School class, preached the morning sermon, and ate a huge dinner (but no person could resist such food). Arnold Porter is the pastor and folks are rallying to his support. Two took membership by statement.

In the evening hour we visited McMinnville. That, too, was annual meeting day, but we were too late for the dinner. Grant Cole is doing a most successful work there. We stopped for a time at the manse and saw the new baby—wonderful! of course, as all babies are. We visited the young people's meeting, and Courtney Swander brought a message concerning the status of young people in Europe. Brother Addleman brought the evening message (he is one state secretary who actually has two sermons). We arrived home at an early hour, and Brother Addleman proved another qualification for state secretary—he is a careful driver.

Have You Read

Have you read the article entitled "Entertainment Movies" in the January Church School Guide? It gives some advice regarding the selection of films. Visual aids, alias movies, are increasingly in the minds of educational leaders. There is grave danger that this may result in nothing more than entertainment without regard to educational features. Any who are thinking of this feature in education would do well to keep abreast of the times. You will find this matter featured from time to time in the Bethany Church School Guide. Every school should have one or more copies of it.

Myrtle Creek

The school reached a record attendance December 19 with 177 present—the largest in nine years. On the evening of that Sunday 310 packed the house for the Christmas program. After a program and a "movie" Santa distributed the presents, chief of which was a gold watch to the pastor, Lawrence Baird, and a large mirror to his wife. The past three months 23 have been added to the church.

A Son Is Born

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Payne, pastors of the church at Corvallis, on December 9. This is their first-born, and, of course, they are the proudest papa and mama in the world. Congratulations!